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self. The book also contains a concise statement of the leading principles in all departments of the law, and numbered classifications very helpful to the memory. The references are to the latest and best text-books. An appendix contains the rules regulating admission to the Bar in all the States and Territories.

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COURTS AND THEIR JURISDICTION. By JOHN D. WORKS, formerly one of the Justices of the Supreme Court of California. Cincinnati: The Robert Clarke Company. 1894. 908 pages.

This work runs into many branches of the law, and is concerned largely with questions of jurisdiction. The titles of the chapters are: 1. Courts. 2. General Principles Affecting Jurisdiction. 3. Means of Acquiring Jurisdiction. 4. Venue. 5. Judges. 6. Common Law, Equity and Statutory Jurisdiction. The first five chapters contain a very complete and careful statement of the general principles of jurisdiction and a description of the organization of courts. In the last chapter which constitutes considerably over a third of the entire book, special subjects are considered, such as Probate, Garnishment, Crimes, Divorce, Sales of Real Estate, Injunctions, etc. These subjects are, of course, treated from their purely jurisdictional side, and while the author's discussion of each of them is necessarily general in character, much practical information is conveyed to the reader.

The chief defect of the work is the failure to give a separate discussion of the specific jurisdiction of the Federal Courts. There is no jurisdictional question which a lawyer has to consider so frequently as to the scope of the jurisdiction of the United States Courts. It may be to the advantage of a client to bring a suit in a Federal rather than a State Court, either to avoid local prejudice or to obtain the advantage of a ruling of the Federal Court contrary to that which prevails in a State Court. Innumerable questions involving rights to the enjoyment of property, immunities, commerce, "due process of law," are constantly arising, and in all such cases the first

question which confronts the practitioner is the question of the selection of his forum. In view of the importance of the subject, it is to be regretted that the author of this work did not include in it a separate, full and complete discussion of Federal jurisdiction. He has, of course, discussed many subjects relating to the Federal Courts, but only in an incidental and subordinate way.

Apart from the above criticism the author is entitled to all praise for the manner in which he has performed his work. His book is a model text-book, clear, logical, concise and accurate. It is admirably printed, and a credit to both author and publisher.

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A PRACTICAL MANUAL OF MENTAL MEDICINE. By DR. E. RÉGIS, formerly Chief of Clinique of Mental Diseases, Faculty of Medicine, Paris. Formerly Assistant Physicial of the Sainte-Anne Asylum. Physician of the Maison de Sante de Castel d' Andorte; Laureate of the Medico-Psychological Society and of the Faculty of Medicine of Paris. Professor of Mental Diseases, Faculty of Medicine, Bordeaux. With a Preface by M. BENJAMIN BALL, Clinical Professor of Mental Diseases, Faculty of Medicine, Paris. A work crowned by the Faculty of Medicine of Paris, Chateauvillard Prize, 1886. Second Edition. Thoroughly revised and largely re-written. Authorized translation by H. M. BANNISTER, A.M., M.D. With Introduction by the Author. Utica, N. Y.: Press of American Journal of Insanity. 1894.

This book is unique in that, so far as we know, it is the only book on the subject of insanity written by an alienist, translated by an alienist, printed and published at an insane asylum; the mechanical work being done entirely by the patients. We have read it through with much interest. Within the moderate compass of 660 pages it gives a complete, historical, pathological, clinical and practical view of the subject of insanity. The translation is an admirable one and the book is well calculated for the use of students. It is especially valua-